The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company Limited

Twenty-Ninth Annual Report

1925

The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company
Limited

Capital Stock (Authorized)	$10,000,000.00
Capital Stock (Subscribed)	6,212,666.66
Capital Stock (Paid Up)	6,212,666.66

Company's Head Office
Fernie, B.C.

Stock Transfer Office
Toronto General Trusts Corporation
253 Bay Street, Toronto.

Registrar
National Trust Company, Limited, Toronto.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 1926.

PRESIDENT

W. R. Wilson
Fernie, B.C.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

A. H. MacNeill, K.C.
Vancouver, B.C.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

W. H. Robinson
Vice-President Granby Consolidated M. S. & P. Co.
Granby, P.Q.

DIRECTORS

Dr. G. W. Howland
Toronto

Ellis P. Earle
President Nipissing Mines Co. and Georgia Peruvian Ochre Co.
Director Chatham and Phoenix National Bank, N.Y., and
Vice-President Granby Consolidated M. S. & P. Co.
New York, N.Y.

James T. Maher
Right-of-Way, Land and Tax Commissioner,
Great Northern Railway Company, St. Paul, Minn.

James F. Edgar
Barrister, Toronto

L. C. Gilman
Barrister, Seattle

Hon. Andrew Haydon
Senator
Messrs. McGiverin, Haydon & Ebbs,
Barristers, Ottawa, Ontario.

OFFICERS

General Manager ..... **H. P. Wilson**
Treasurer ..... **A. A. Klauer**
Comptroller ..... **Geo. H. Hess, Jr.**
Secretary ..... **J. S. Irvine**
Auditors ..... **Messrs. Welch, Campbell & Lawless,**
Chartered Accountants.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Twenty - Ninth Annual Meeting of the Shareholders

On the 9th day of July, 1926, the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company was held, pursuant to Notice, at the Head Office of the Company, Fernie, B.C., at 2.30 p.m.

The following Shareholders were present, representing 73% of the Stock:—

In Person and By Proxy—

W. R. Wilson.
L. C. Gilman.
A. H. MacNeill.
Dr. G. W. Howland
J. F. Edgar.
J. T. Maher.
J. E. Adam.
John Adam.
Geo. A. Anderson.
John Adam & Son.
Norman Ainley.
Mary P. Anderson.
A. H. Beaton.
Eleanor G. Baskerville.
Rachel Hill Boeckmann.
Florence May Bate.
A. R. Capreol.
Arthur H. Campbell.
Harold P. Cann.
G. W. Cook.
Dorothy Crump.
Eliza C. Clinch.
Madeline I. Carter.
Est. Sir R. J. Cartwright
W. R. Campbell DeCosta.
Mabel Dancy.
Elizabeth Davidson.
Katherine Beatrice Evans
Fannie H. Edgar.
Annie E. Eaton.
Catherine O. Elwell.
J. R. Johnstone.
Clara Jackson.
E. Kirvan.
Mrs. Edith Keliher.
Elizabeth Kelley.
Lillie M. Kelley.
Wanda C. Lindsey.
Kenrick C. Laurie.
Rebecca Lorie.
Margaret Laurie.
Ellen Laughery.
Helen Munro.
Frederick Richard Martin.
Marion J. Marshall.
Frank E. Maulson.
Wm. Mansell.
D. Campbell Meyers.
Lucy L. McMurchy.
W. A. McKeough.
M. A. MacDougall.
William McFarren.
W. F. McLaren.
Mrs. Isa F. MacLaren.
Harold Buchanan McGiverin.
G. H. Nettleton.
E. T. Nichols.
Llewellyn Purdom.
William T. Payne.
Emily E. Ryerson.
W. H. Robinson.
Kenneth G. Ross.

Ellis P. Earle.
Helen M. Edgar.
Ruby T. Edgar.
M[illegible] M. Ellis.
M[illegible] C. Ellis.
E[illegible]sby.
Ernest Grouard.
Hector Grouard.
Emily H. Gemmill.
Granny Cons. M.S. & P. Co.
Temple Godman.
James Gouinlock.
Lillie E. Gouinlock.
D. R. Gunn.
W. H. Goadby.
Wilson Greacen.
Walter J. Hill.
Charles A. E. Harriss.
Wm. Hanson.
Mrs. Clara Isobel Hatton.
Andrew Haydon.
Charles Napier Higgin.
Mary F. Hitchins.
C. P. Hill.
B. Hochschild.
Frances Ellen Hunter.
Robt. L. Innes.
Mark H. Irish.
Helena Schickendantz.
Hesciot M. Staynor.
Clara I. Suckling.
John Stark & Co.
Marion B. Smith.
Clara E. Stearns.
James H. Swan.
Henry Swan.
W. J. Swain.
James P. Steedman.
R. R. Simpson.
George T. Slade.
Violet A. Seaman.
Nicholas Terhune.
Selena J. Vanstone.
Frederick C. Vanstone.
Byron S. Vanstone.
Ida May Vanstone.
Margaret Woods.
H. G. Wynes.
Christie J. Williams.
Wilson Coal & Coke, Ltd.
John Wilson.
Thos. H. Whitehead.
Ida L. Williams.
Mrs. Clara H. Williams.
Watt & Watt.

On motion, Mr. Wilson was requested to take the Chair, and Mr. Irvine to act as Secretary.

The Secretary read the Notice calling the meeting for the 9th day of July, 1926, at 2.30 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Maher, seconded by Mr. Gilman, the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting, held on the 10th day of July, 1925, were taken as read.

On motion of Mr. Maher, seconded by Mr. MacNeill, the Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the Directors, and the accompanying Financial Statement were taken as read.

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1925.

To the Shareholders :

Your Directors for the year 1925 respectfully submit their twenty-ninth Annual Report showing statement of the Company's Assets and Liabilities on the 31st day of December, 1925, accompanied by figures which show the Profit and Loss Account for the year ending on that date.

The balance at the Credit of the Profit and Loss Account brought forward from 1924 was $252.178.96. To this has been added the sum of $343.915.41, being the Company's Net Profits from all sources of the operations for the year 1925 (after making provision for the Dominion Income Tax for the year 1925, amounting to $34.998.44) making a total of $596,094.37. From this amount, your Directors have paid one dividend of three per cent and two dividends each of one and one-half per cent for the year, and amounting in all to $372.690.00, leaving a balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account to be carried forward to 1926 of $223,404.37.

The operative Profit of the suhsidiary Company, The Crow's Nest Pass Electric Light and Power Company, Limited, for the year was $11,547.38, of which $3,777.97 representing part of the loss due to the Home Bank failure, was written off and the balance, $7,769.41, was transferred to Depreciation Reserve.

The operative Profits of the other suhsidiary Company, The Morrissey, Fernie and Michel Railway Company, for the year were $38,692.81. Of this amount, $459.15 was written off against the loss in 1924, and the balance, $38,233.66, was transferred to Reserve for Depreciation.

During the year, the Coal Company spent, by way of Capital Expenditure, for improvements, $81,483.59; The Power Company, $8,968.14; and The Railway Company, $46,545.71.

The Coal mined during the year amounted to 879,951 tons 1415 pounds as against 275,329 tons 500 pounds in 1924, and the Coke produced was 84,207 tons 1700 pounds as against 30,615 tons in 1924.

All of which we respectfully submit.

W. R. WILSON,
President.

Fernie, B.C., July 9th, 1926

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31st, 1925.

Assets.

Cash on hand and in Banks	$ 286,596.27		
Accounts Receivable	380,771.70		
Inventories—Coal, Coke, Stores, etc.	211,743.99		
		879,111.96	
Securities and Shares Owned		1,765,653.53	
Unexpired Insurance		27,134.89	
Mines, Real Estate, Plant and Equipment	7,460,556.92		
Less, Reserve for Depreciation	3,401,490.32		
		4,059,066.60	
			6,730,966.98

Liabilities.

Accounts Payable	105,032.08	
Provision for 1925 Dominion Income Taxes	34,998.44	
Contingent Liability Reserve	154,865.43	
		294,895.95
		6,436,071.03
Capital Stock paid up	6,212,666.66	
Profit & Loss Account Credit Balance	223,404.37	
		$6,436,071.03

Fernie, B.C., July 9th, 1926. A. A. Klauer, Treasurer.

PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT

Year Ended December 31st, 1925.

Balance at CREDIT, January 1st, 1925		252,178.96
Profit: Coal & Coke Operations	302,081.05	
Lands, Timber Operations and Other Sources	76,832.80	
		378,913.85
		631,092.81
Less: Provision for 1925 Dominion Income Tax		34,998.44
		596,094.37
Dividend No. 64, paid June 1st	186,345.00	
Dividend No. 65, paid Sept. 1st	93,172.50	
Dividend No. 66, paid Dec. 1st	93,172.50	
		372,690.00
Balance at CREDIT, December 31st, 1925		$223,404.37

Fernie, B.C., July 9th, 1926. A. A. Klauer, Treasurer.

AUDITORS' REPORT AND CERTIFICATE.

Toronto, Ontario, March 23rd, 1926.

To the Shareholders of The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, Limited, Fernie, B.C. :

We Certify that we have audited the books and accounts of your Company for the year ended December 31st, 1925, and that the appended Balance Sheet is, in our opinion, so drawn as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Company's position as at that date, and as shown by the books.

We further certify that all our requirements as Auditors have been fully complied with.

Respectfully submitted,

Welch, Campbell & Lawless,
Chartered Accountants.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

In moving the adoption of the report, I am able to state that through the employees of the Company accepting a new wage scale agreement during 1924, which wage scale prevailed during the year 1925, and contiues until March 31st, 1928, it became possible for the Company to meet competitive production of coal from other districts, which they could not possibly have done without the employees realizing the economic necessity of allowing their wages to be adjusted in accord with economic demands.

Coal Creek Mines during the year worked .....273 days.
Michel Mines worked .....235 days.

The production of coal resulting from the above working time, single shift operations, was .....879,951 tons.
The production of coke was ..... 84,208 tons.

In relation to the foregoing production, the following classes and quantities of development work have been done at the different Mines :

Coal Creek Mines .....26,480 feet narrow development work
Michel Mines .....18,440 feet narrow development work

Total development work..44,920 feet in coal

The preceding figures show the actual development work done during the year to be commensurate with total tonnage mined.

During the year, the prospect tunnel started during 1924 to recover new coal bed below No. 8 Seam on the North Side of the Valley at Michel reached the coal bed, which coal seam is about 11 feet, and in quality compares favorably with the other coal beds worked at Michel. Then, in addition to this specified development, we have developed by driving rock tunnels above No. 2 Seam of coal, on the South Side of the Valley at Michel, an additional new bed of coal 10 feet thick, which recovery we call No. 1 Seam. This new bed of coal is equal in commercial quality to the best coals worked at Michel.

For the purpose of making your understanding more clear in regard to the physical condition of the properties, we are laying before you a detailed statement that shows the renewal work that has been done at all the Mines during the year, together with information that shows all the new work done during the last year's operations.

I beg to move the adoption of the Report.

Mr. Gilman seconded the motion.

An opportunity was then given for discussion, after which the motion to adopt the Report was put to the meeting, and carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Gilman, seconded by Mr. Maher, that all actions of the Board of Directors and Officers of the Company during the past year, and up to June 30, 1926, in so far as they appear of record, be and the same are hereby approved. (Carried).

It was moved by Mr. Maher, seconded by Mr. MacNeill, that the firm of Messrs. Welch, Campbell & Lawless, Chartered Accountants, of Toronto, be appointed Auditors of the Company for the ensuing year. (Carried).

It was moved by Mr. Edgar, seconded by Mr. Gilman, that the thanks of the Shareholders are due and are hereby tendered to the Officers, Staff and Employees of the Company, for their zeal and effective service in the interest of the Company during the past year. (Carried).

It was moved by Mr. Maher, seconded by Mr. Gilman, that Mr. Irvine and Mr. Klauer be appointed Scrutineers for the election of Directors. (Carried).

It was moved by Mr. Maher, seconded by Mr. Gilman, that the following gentlemen be nominated as Directors of the Company for the ensuing year: Mr. W. R. Wilson, Mr. W. H. Robinson, Mr. Ellis P. Earle, Dr. G. W. Howland, Mr. A. H. MacNeill, Mr. James T. Maher, Mr. James F. Edgar, Mr. L. C. Gilman, and Mr. Andrew Haydon.

It was moved by Mr. Maher, seconded by Mr. MacNeill, that the Chairman cast one ballot on behalf of the Shareholders and in favor of the gentlemen nominated as Directors of the Company for the ensuing year. (Carried).

The Scrutineers reported the gentlemen nominated as having been duly elected Directors of the Company for the ensuing year.

The meeting then adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors the following Officers were elected:

President	Mr. W. R. Wilson
First Vice-President	Mr. A. H. MacNeill
Second Vice-President	Mr. W. H. Robinson
General Manager	Mr. H. P. Wilson
Treasurer	Mr. A. A. Klauer
Comptroller	Mr. Geo. H. Hess, Jr.
Secretary	Mr. J. S. Irvine